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United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and defense articles in the amount of \$25,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export to Japan of one PHALANX close-in weapon system to support the Japan Maritime Self Defense Force.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Kelly

Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable

J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives.